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U.S. Department of Energy
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1000 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 10585

Attention: Mr. Bill Richardson
Secretary of Energy

Dear Secretary Richardson:

It is my understanding that there is a proposal to transport nuclear waste by rail through the metropolitan St. Louis area to an underground storage site at Yucca Mountain in Southern Nevada.

1 For the record, Mr. Secretary, it is the recommendation of my office, on behalf of the citizens in this area, to reject any proposal which would allow the transport of nuclear waste through this heavily populated area. Since an incident of potential danger transporting this waste would exist, it would jeopardize the public safety of our community.

It is requested that your department, through responsible decision making, would consider a transportation alternative which would avoid this metropolitan area. It would reduce the risk of inflicting harm in a heavily populated area and it would ensure trust in the public that the goal of your department is public safety.

Sincerely,

Representative Catherine S. Enz

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BCC: Wendy Dixon, Project Manager, Yucca Mountain Site